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HE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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RADIATION IMAGE READ-OUT METHOD AND APPARATUS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of September 21, 2005 to March 21, 2006.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$1,020.00 and/or all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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